



SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I—Her father and mother reported lost when the Duraven was destroyed by a submarine. Carolyn May goes to live with her bachelor uncle, Joseph Stagg, at the Corners. The reception of herself and her mongrel cur by her uncle and his housekeeper, Aunt Rose Kennedy, is not very enthusiastic.

CHAPTER II—Aunt Rose rules the home with an iron hand, but is not unkind to the child.

CHAPTER III—Stagg learns from a letter from a New York lawyer that the child has been left practically penniless. Carolyn's sunny disposition begins to make an impression on the stern housekeeper.

CHAPTER IV—Carolyn makes the acquaintance of Judith Parlow, with whom her uncle has not been on speaking terms for years.

CHAPTER V—She learns of the engagement between her uncle and his one-time sweetheart, Amanda Parlow, and the cause of the bitterness between the two families.

CHAPTER VI—The mongrel wins the approval of the entire population by routing a tramp in the act of robbing the school teacher.

CHAPTER VII—While Carolyn and her uncle are taking a Sunday walk in the woods they encounter Amanda Parlow. The dog kills a snake about to strike Amanda and Stagg and Amanda speak to each other for the first time in years.

(Continued from yesterday)

CHAPTER VIII.

Chet Gormley Tells Some News.

It was when she came in sight of the Parlow place on Monday afternoon, she and Prince, that Carolyn May bethought her of the very best person in the world with whom to advise upon the momentous question which so troubled her.

Who could be more interested in the happiness of Miss Amanda than Mr. Parlow himself?

The little girl had been going to call on Miss Amanda. Aunt Rose had said she might and Miss Amanda had invited her "specially."

But the thought of taking the old carpenter into her confidence and advising with him delayed that visit. Mr. Parlow was busy on some piece of cabinet work, but he nodded briskly to the little girl when she came to the door of the shop and looked in.

"Are you very busy, Mr. Parlow?" she asked him after a watchful minute or two.

"My hands be, Carolyn May," said the carpenter in his dry voice.

"Oh!"

"But I kin listen to ye—and I kin talk."

"Oh, that's nice! Did you hear about what happened yesterday?"

"Eh?" he queried, eying her quizzically. "Does anything ever happen on Sunday?"

"Something did on this Sunday," cried the little girl. "Didn't you hear about the snake?"

"What d'ye mean—snake?"

And then little Carolyn May explained. She told the story with such earnestness that he stopped working to listen.

"Humph!" was his grunted comment at the end. "Well!"

"Don't you think that was real exciting?" asked Carolyn May. "And just see how it almost brought my Uncle Joe and your Miss Amanda together. Don't you see?"

Mr. Parlow actually jumped. "What's that you say, child?" he rasped out grimly. "Bring Mandy and Joe Stagg together? Well, I guess not!"

"Oh, Mr. Parlow, don't you think that would be just be-a-rou-tiful?"

"What d'ye mean—rou-tiful?"

"That's what I mean, Mr. Parlow. You see, I never see the best of it!"

"Oh, is he?" cried the little child. "Is he looking up more? Do you think he is, Chet?"

"I positively do," Chet assured her. "And he hasn't always got his nose in that old ledger?"

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BATTLESHIP BARBERS
ENVY OF BRITISHERS

(By Associated Press)

LONDON, Sept. 21.—Barber shops on American battleships now forming a part of the fashionable establishments of London's West End. Victor Fisher, founder of the British Workers' league, asserted on returning from a visit to the fleet.

"It struck me," Mr. Fisher said in detailing his impressions of the American ships, "that in such minor departments of service life as the laundry work, the kitchen accommodation, the sleeping and living space, the hairdressing establishment, which was equal to anything that the West End of London could show, the arrangements on the American ships showed a higher level than our own."

Carolyn May looked at him sorrowfully. Mr. Parlow had quite disappointed her. It was plain to be seen that he was not the right one to advise with about the matter. The little girl sighed.

"I really did s'pose you'd want to see Miss Amanda happy, Mr. Parlow," she whispered.

"Happy? Bah!" snarled the old man, setting vigorously to work again. He acted as if he wished to say no more and let the little girl depart without another word.

Carolyn May really could not understand it—at least she could not immediately.

That Mr. Parlow might have a selfish reason for desiring to keep his daughter and Joseph Stagg apart did not enter the little girl's mind.

After that Sunday walk, however, Carolyn May was never so much afraid of her uncle as before. Why, he had even called Prince "good dog!" Truly Mr. Joseph Stagg was being transformed—if slowly.

He could not deny to himself that, to a certain extent, he was enjoying the presence of his little niece at The Corners. If he only could decide just what to do with the personal property of his sister Hannah and her husband down in the New York apartment. Never in his life had he been so long deciding a question.

He had really loved Hannah. He knew it now. Did Joseph Stagg, every time he looked at the lovely little child who had come to live with him at The Corners. Why! Just so had Hannah looked when she was a little thing. The same deep, violet eyes and sunny hair and laughing lips—

Mr. Stagg sometimes actually found a reflection of the cheerful figure of "Hannah's Carolyn" coming between him and the big ledger over which he spent so many of his waking hours.

Once he looked up from the ledger—it was on a Saturday morning—and really did see the bright figure of the little girl standing before him. It was no dream or fancy, for old Jimmy, the cat, suddenly shot to the topmost shelf, squalling with wild abandon. Prince was nosing along at Carolyn May's side.

"Bless me!" croaked Mr. Stagg. "That dog of yours, Carolyn May, will give Jimmy a convulsion at yet. What d'you want down here?"

Carolyn May told him. A man had come to the house to buy a cow and Aunt Rose had sent the little girl down to tell Mr. Stagg to come home and "drive his own bargain."

"Well, well," said Mr. Stagg, locking the ledger in the safe. "I'll hustle right out and tend to it. Don't see why the man couldn't have waited till noontime. Hey, you, Chet! Look out for the store. Don't have any fooling. And—"

"Oh, uncle! may I stay, too? Me and Prince?" cried Carolyn May. "We'll be good."

"Pshaw! Yes, if you want to," responded Mr. Stagg, hurrying away. "My! your uncle's changin' more and more, ain't he?" remarked Chet, the optimistic. "He does sometimes almost laugh, Carolyn. I never see the best of it!"

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LEADS A COMPANY

(By Associated Press)

NOGALES, Ariz., Sept. 21.—Negro troops fought under a non-commissioned officer after their white commander was killed here during the skirmish between American troops and Mexicans across the international line.

A troop of negro cavalry with but one white officer went across the border singing "Hall, Hall, the Gang's All Here." When half way up one of the three hills back of the Mexican town, Captain J. D. Hungerford was killed by a sniper. The negroes, in command of the first sergeant, continued their advance under fire, clearing the brush houses and adobe buildings of snipers and going over the top of the hills in pursuit of the men they held responsible for their commander's death. The negro cavalry continued fighting valiantly until "cease firing" was sounded by the American trumpeters after the Mexicans had run up a white flag for a parley.

Corporal James Harris, who was wounded during this skirmish, was with Captain Boyd when he was killed at the head of his troops at the battle of Carrizal between American cavalry from the punitive expedition and Mexican federal troops. He brought back a pair of officer's field glasses with him from Mexico.

"No, you see, I heard all about it. Mr. Vickers, the lawyer, came in here one day and your uncle read a letter to him out loud. I couldn't help but hear. The letter was from another lawyer and 'twas all about you and your concerns. I heard it all," said the quite innocent Chet.

"And Mr. Vickers says: 'So the child hasn't anything of her own, Joe?'"

Chet went on. "And your uncle says: 'Not a dollar, 'cept what I might sell that furniture for.' And he hasn't sold it yet, I know. He just can't make up his mind to sell them things that was your mother's, Carolyn May."

added the boy, with a deeper insight into Mr. Stagg's character than one might have given him credit for possessing.

But Carolyn May had heard some news that made her suddenly quiet and she was glad a customer came into store just then to draw Chet Gormley's attention.

The child had never thought before about how the good things of life came to her—her food, clothes and lodging. But now Chet Gormley's chattering had given her a new view of the facts of the case. There had been no money left to spend for her needs. Uncle Joe was just keeping her out of charity!

"And Prince, too," thought the little girl, with a lump in her throat. "He hasn't got any more home than a rabbit! And Uncle Joe don't really like dogs—not even now."

"Oh, dear me!" pursued Carolyn May. "It's awful hard to be an orphan. But to be a poor orphan—just a charity one—is a whole lot worse, I guess. I wonder if I ought to stay with Uncle Joe and Aunt Rose and make them so much trouble?"

The thought bit deep into the little girl's very impressionable mind. She wished to be alone and to think over this really tragic thing that faced her—the ugly fact that she was a "charity child."

"And you're a charity dog, Prince Cameron," she said aloud, looking down at the mongrel who walked sedately beside her along the country road.

The little girl had loitered along the road until it was now dinner time. Indeed, Aunt Rose would have had the meal on the table twenty minutes earlier. Mr. Stagg had evidently remained at The Corners to sell the cow and eat dinner too—thus "killing two birds with one stone."

And here Carolyn May and Prince were at Mr. Parlow's carpenter shop, just as the old man was taking off his apron preparatory to going in to his dinner. When Miss Amanda was away nursing, the carpenter ate at a neighbor's table.

Now Miss Amanda appeared on the side porch.

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UTAH WOMAN FARMS
100 ACRES BY HERSELF

(By Associated Press)

FILLMORE, Utah, Sept. 21.—

Women have demonstrated in numerous instances their ability in handling the work of men, but the real dents of Meadow, near here, are boasting of the exploits of Miss Melba Scott, who is doing every bit of work formerly done by her brother, who is in the army. Miss Scott is taking care of a tract of 100 acres and doing it alone. Besides handling the tract all spring and summer, Miss Scott has just completed the plowing of the entire 100 acres. She handles eight horses in a manner that would do credit to any old-time stage driver.

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